Motion to indefinitely postpone a measure shall dispose of it for the duration of the legislative session and all extensions thereof. Any motion to postpone consideration to a time beyond the last day allowed under the Constitution for the current legislative session shall be construed as a motion to indefinitely postpone.

## **RULE SEVEN**

## **AMENDMENTS**

7.1—Amendments shall be filed with the Secretary on forms prescribed by him but shall be con-General form; sidered only as sponsors gain recognition Manner of from the President to move their adop-Consideration tion, except that the chairman of the committee (or, in his absence, the vice chairman or any member thereof) reporting the measure under consideration shall have preference for the presentation of committee amendments. An amendment shall be deemed pending only after its sponsor has been recognized by the President and has moved its adoption. An amendment filed with the Secretary of the Senate, the adoption of which has not been formally moved, shall not be deemed to be pending. No proposition on a subject different from that under consideration shall be admitted under color of amendment.

7.2—Amendments may be adopted, on second reading by a majority vote and on third reading by a two-thirds (2/3) vote. Amendments to the title or corrective amendments may be decided, without debate, by a majority vote on third reading.

7.3—An amendment to a pending amendment may be received, but until it is disposed of, no Sequence of other motion to amend will be in order, examendments to cept a substitute amendment or an amendamendments ment to the substitute. Such amendments are to be disposed of in the following order: (1) Amendments to the amendment are acted upon before the substitute is taken up. Only one amendment to the amendment is in order. (2) Amendments to the substitute are next voted upon. (3) The substitute then is voted on. The adoption of a substitute amendment in lieu of an original amendment shall be treated and considered as an amendment of the bill itself.

7.4—A proposal to strike out all after the enacting clause or the resolving clause of a bill or

resolution and insert new matter of the same general subject as stated in the original title, shall be deemed proper and germane and shall be treated as an amendment.

7.5—The adoption of an amendment to a section shall not preclude further amendment of that section. If a bill is being considered section by section or item by item, only amendments to the section or item under consideration shall be in order. The President shall, in recognizing Senators for the purpose of moving the adoption of amendments, endeavor to cause all amendments to section 1 to be considered first, then all those in section 2, and so on. After all sections have been considered separately, the entire bill shall be open for amendment.

7.6—All amendments adopted by the Senate shall be printed in the Journal except that an amendment to the general appropriations bill constituting an entirely new bill shall not be printed until the filing of the conference committee report. All item amendments to the general appropriations bill shall be printed.

7.7—Any House bill may be amended in the same manner as a Senate bill. If a House bill is amended, the same shall be noted by the Secretary on the jacket containing same before it is reported to the House.

7.8—After the reading of a House amendment to a Senate bill, the Senate may: (1) amend the House amendment, or (2) concur in the House amendment, or (3) refuse to concur in the House amendment and ask the House to recede. The adoption of all the foregoing motions shall be by majority vote.

7.9—If the House shall refuse to concur in a Senate amendment to a House bill, the following motions shall be in order and shall be privileged in the order named: (1) that the Senate amendment Senate acconference committee, or (3) that the Senate insist. The adoption of any of the foregoing motions shall be by majority vote.